

2015 Food Council Open House: Growing with the Next Generation

Homegrown Hero Award Nomination

Purpose

As a part of our Annual Open House, the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council recognizes and honors the accomplishments of community partners who help expand the community's ability to grow, process, distribute, eat and compost more healthy, sustainable, locally grown foods. Any community member or organization is eligible to receive a Homegrown Heroes Award. More information about Homegrown Minneapolis: www.minneapolismn.gov/homegrown

Process

- Anyone can nominate someone for these awards by completing the nomination form on the following page. (Self-nominations accepted.) Submissions are required by **Monday, November 2nd**.
- A committee of Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council members will review the nominations and select the honorees.
- Honorees will be notified by **Monday, November 9th** and recognized at our Annual Open House on Thursday, December 3rd from 6:30-8:00 pm at the Minneapolis Public Schools Davis Center, 1250 West Broadway Ave.

Guidelines

During this year's end-of-the-year celebration, the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council will present Homegrown Heroes Awards to individual community members or organizations that exemplify the Vision and Mission of the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council. At least one of the awards will recognize an individual or organization who embodies our 2015 theme "Growing with the Next Generation."

Vision: The Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council envisions a vibrant local food system that enhances the health of all residents, protects the earth, increases economic vitality, expands social connectedness, and improves food security.

Mission: To continue to advance Homegrown Minneapolis, the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council works to support all Minneapolis residents and increase access to quality food, address hunger and food insecurity, connect sectors of the food system, influence policy and decision making, and ensure an environmentally sustainable and socially just food system. To accomplish this, the food council: (1) fosters City-community partnerships; (2) convenes and engages diverse stakeholders to identify and propose innovative solutions to improve the local food system; (3) provides ongoing guidance to the City on local food issues; and (4) serves as a platform for collaborative, coordinated action.

2013 and 2014 Homegrown Heroes awardees included:

- Bertrand Weber and the Minneapolis Public Schools Culinary & Nutrition Services Department
- Linda Bryant, Emerge Community Development
- Lyndale Neighborhood Association Environment Committee
- Midtown Farmers Market
- Youth Farm
- Professors Adam Kay and Chip Small and Students, University of St. Thomas
- Ousman Camara, K's Dollar and Grocery
- Hamilton Manor Community Garden, Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) Highrise
- CAPI USA

Nomination Form

Due by Monday, November 2nd, 2015

Today's Date:

Nominator's Name:

Nominator's E-mail:

Name(s) of Nominee(s):

Description of Nominee(s): Please provide a brief description about who the nominee(s) is, including who is impacted by their work. The Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council may not be familiar with the work of the individual or organization. [Min: 3-5 sentences, Max: 7-9 sentences]

Reason for nomination: In what way does the nominee(s) exemplify the Vision and Mission of the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council? [Min: 3-5 sentences, Max: 7-9 sentences]

Please e-mail this form to: homegrown@minneapolismn.gov by **Monday, Nov. 2nd, 2015.**

Please write Homegrown Hero Nomination in subject line.

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